

Samuel Doane – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Samuel Doane was the son of John Doane Jr. and the grandson of Deacon John Doane who was a leader of the first group of Nauset settlers. Samuel was born in Eastham in 1674 and died in 1756. He has an original gravestone in Eastham Bridge Road Cemetery. Samuel is an example of a third generation Eastham resident who received significant land grants.

1700

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs three-quarters of an acre where his house now stands near the Rabbit Swamp and next to twelve acres formerly granted to his father John Doane. Bounds were indicated by stones marked J D and S D. PDF M134, S93.

1703

Granted to Samuel Doane, Samuel Higgins and Jabez Snow and their heirs a parcel of meadow on the Town Flats at the Middle Flat. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A280, M167, S84.

1711

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs about six acres for his wood lot on the easterly side of the cartway that went to Indian Brook and next to Lieut. Snow's wood lot. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T14.

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs about four acres on the southwesterly side of his house lot and next to Thomas Doane's fence. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees. PDF T56.

Granted to Samuel Doane, Ebenezer Atwood, John Atwood, Joshua Atwood, Daniel Smith and James Smith in joint and equal partnership the twenty-third lot out of twenty-four lots at Great Island at Billingsgate. The lot dimensions given were not complete but probably the lot was about seven acres like most of the other lots at Great Island. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T90.

1712

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs about four acres of upland on the northerly side of his other land and next to land of David Doane. Bounds were indicated by stones. PDF T56.

1715

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs a lot next to the way that went from David Doane's towards Billingsgate. The dimensions indicate the lot was about seventeen acres. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T235.

Granted to Samuel Doane and his heirs a wood lot next to the lot of John Smith and near the house of James Robins. The lot was sixteen pole (264 feet) and it ran east to the Backside Sea. No other lot size information was included in the grant. Like other lots in this series of grants, the lot probably was on the east side of the way to Billingsgate and it ran east about one mile which would make the lot about thirty-two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T266.

The Eastham land owned by Samuel Doane or granted in his name to his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty-five acres. By 1745 twenty-five more Doanes received Eastham land grants.